

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GIBSON, Glenn et al.

Application No. 10/721,652

Filed: November 25, 2003

For: PREBIOTIC COMPOSITIONS

Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: BARHAM, Bethany P.

Confirmation No. 7110

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Commissioner for Patents

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

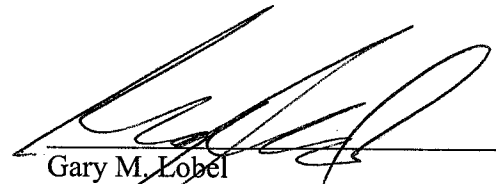
Sir:

The period for filing a response to the final Office action has a shortened statutory time set to expire on November 22, 2007. A two-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a) extending the period of time to respond to January 22, 2008.

Please charge the AMEX card in the name of Dr. Gary M. Lobel listed on the electronic fee transmittal for the amount of \$460 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required to Account No. No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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